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Chapter: 7, Time and Attendance Procedures, Section 1, Time and Attendance Instructions

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To: Holders of the Payroll/Personnel Manual

Agency Personnel Offices

Personnel Officers

Personnel Users Groups

T&A Contact Points

Pay Period 19 is the last pay period of Fiscal Year (FY) 2003; therefore, special instructions are required for preparing Pay Period 19 Time and Attendance (T&A) Reports. Users are asked to consult the Time and Attendance Instructions procedure (Title I, Chapter 7, Section 1) for detailed instructions on preparing the T&A entries for fiscal year-end pay periods.

T&A contact point representatives should ensure that timekeepers are aware of these instructions. **Note:** These instructions do not apply to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Payroll Obligation Estimates

For agencies having payroll obligation estimates computed by the National Finance Center (NFC), 70 percent of Pay Period 17 costs will be used to estimate Pay Period 19 costs that occurred in FY 2003.

Stored Accounting

For agencies that use stored accounting, Pay Period 19 charges will be applied as shown in the table below:

Pay Period 19	Amt Charged to FY 2003	Amt Charged to FY 2004
Week 1 basic payroll costs	100%	
Week 2 basic payroll costs	40%	60%
Week 1 and 2 premium pay		100%

Other options for distribution of accounting data on the T&A are provided in the Time and Attendance Instructions procedure.

Filing Instructions:

File with the Chapter 7 procedure.

Expiration Date:

When superseded

N F C **Note:** Because of fiscal year-end conversion, do not use Code 1 in the Accounting Data Usage Code field to store accounting classification data in the employee's payroll/personnel database record. You may resume using Code 1 in the Accounting Data Usage Code field in Pay Period 20.

Premium Pay Charged to FY03

To charge premium pay to FY 2003, prepare a single T&A distributing all time in pay status for each line entry to the appropriate accounting data for FY 2003. However, do not complete the Accounting Data Usage Code field on the T&A. This will ensure accurate distribution of accounting data charged between FY 2003 and FY 2004.

Payroll Costs

Payroll costs for Pay Period 18 will be obligated, paid, and reported in September.

Split T&A Requirements

Split T&As are required when:

- Regular military leave is used during Pay Period 19.
- U.S. Customs Service employees are coded in the database with *Y* in the Customs Officer's Pay Reform status field.

Instructions for preparing split T&As are provided in your Time and Attendance procedure. **Note:** When preparing a split T&A for Pay Period 19, the entry for the End Day is *10* and the entry for the Begin Day is *11*.

Inquiries

For questions about policy/regulations, contact your Agriculture Payroll/Personnel User Group (AGPUG) representative or Committee for Agriculture Payroll/Personnel System (CAPPS) representative. Please refer questions about T&A processing to the Payroll Operations Branch at **504-255-4630**. Refer questions about this bulletin to the Government Employees Services Branch at **504-255-5322** or via e-mail at *nfc.pvct@usda.gov*.

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